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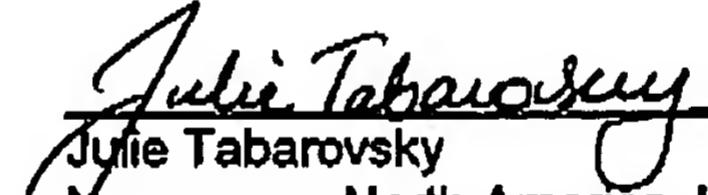
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**1. Response to Restriction Requirement**

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed March 24, 2006 that made restriction and election of species requirements. Applicants were requested to elect one of two designated groups.

In response to these requirements, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, and the species of position 170. Applicants hereby reserve the right to file continuing applications directed to the nonelected subject matter.

The Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if there are any questions concerning this response or application.

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